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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :

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For: AN IMPROVED HOLE SAW BOSS :

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Amendment (37 CFR 1.116)

(IN RESPONSE TO THE FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED January 28, 2010)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

This paper and amendments are responsive to the Final Office action mailed January 28, 2010 which sets a shortened statutory period for response of 3 months with a due date of on or before April 28, 2010. This response includes a Request for Extension of Time, under 37 C.F.R 1.136(a) for three (3) months. Thus, this response would be timely filed on or before the extended due date of July 28, 2010. The response is being timely filed before that date.

Amendment to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.